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Mr. Jeff Morales, Director
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Attention: Federal Resources Branch, Room 3500
for Abhigit Bagde, Transportation Programming

Dear Mr. Morales:

SUBJECT: FY 2002/03 to 2004/05 Federal Transportation Improvement Program;
Amendment #1, SLOCOG Highway and Transit

Dear Mr. Morales:

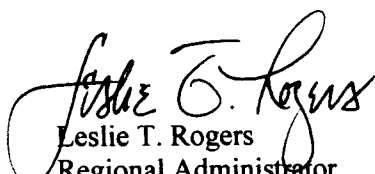
We have completed our review of the San Luis Obispo Council of Governments (SLOCOG) 2002/03 to 2004/05 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) Amendment # 1, as requested by your letter of December 18, 2002.


We find that this SLOCOG TIP amendment was developed based on a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning process in accordance with 23USC 134 & 135, 49 USC 5303-5305, and 23CFR450.

This letter constitutes approval, and inclusion of the SLOCOG's TIP Amendment # 1 into California's 2002/03-04/05 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP), with the understanding that the eligibility of individual projects is subject to the applicant's satisfaction of all the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) administrative requirements. This approval excludes the 5313 funded project studies. We recommend 5313 funded projects be included in the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) for approval. This approval is based on the California Department of Transportation's (Caltrans) assurance that the funding for this amendment does not adversely impact the FSTIP Financial Plan.

If you have any questions regarding this determination please contact Ms. Sandra A. Balmir of the Los Angeles Metropolitan Office at (213) 202-3953 or Mr. Jerome Wiggins of the Federal Transit Administration at (415) 744-2819.

Sincerely,


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